

Daily Market Brief

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FOREIGN EXCHANGE MARKETS

(Sources: Bloomberg / Forexlive)

EURUSD

The EUR/USD pair gains some positive traction for the second straight day on Thursday and moves back above the 1.1100 round-figure mark during the Asian session. Spot prices recover further from a nearly two-week low, around mid-1.1000s touched on Tuesday and remain well supported by some follow-through US Dollar (USD) selling.

GBPUSD

GBP/USD bulls take a breather after a two-day uptrend, making rounds to the weekly top surrounding 1.2960 amid the early hours of Thursday's Asian session. In doing so, the Cable pair portrays the market's cautious mood ahead of the top-tier data/events, as well as portrays consolidation ahead of the key upside hurdles.

USDJPY

USD/JPY drops for the fourth consecutive day as it breaks a two-week-old rising support line, now immediate resistance, to refresh the weekly low near 139.40, close to 139.70 by the press time of early Thursday morning in Europe. In doing so, the Yen pair also justifies the market's chatters that the (BoJ) is overdue for a policy tweak.

Fx rates	Last	High	Low	% Daily	% Weekly	% YTD
EUR-USD	1.1095	1.1118	1.1077	0.08	-0.31	3.64
GBP-USD	1.2950	1.2977	1.2925	0.07	0.64	7.18
USD-JPY	140.20	140.49	139.38	-0.03	-0.09	-6.48
USD-CHF	0.8604	0.8618	0.8581	-0.05	0.74	7.45
Commodities	Last	High	Low	% Daily	% Weekly	% YTD
Gold	1976.02	1982.07	1971.05	0.20	0.33	8.33
Silver	25.00	25.14	24.88	0.26	0.95	4.35
Crude Oil	79.50	79.72	78.87	0.91	5.09	0.82
Bitcoin	29464.17	29662.22	29297.73	-0.42	-1.24	78.14
Etherium	1879.53	1883.25	1867.25	-0.07	-0.44	56.71
Period	1 M	3 M	12 M			
USD LIBOR *	5.43	5.62	6.04			
EURIBOR	3.52	3.71	4.11			
* USD LIBOR rates will be discontinued after June 30, 2023 and will be replaced by SOFR						
Notes/Bonds	2 Y	10 Y	30 Y			
US	4.83	3.86	3.94			
BTP - BUND	0.62	1.62	1.99			
GILTS	5.03	4.28	4.41			

INTERNATIONAL EQUITY MARKETS

(Sources: Bloomberg / Reuters)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

U.S. stocks ended Wednesday little changed following a Federal Reserve rate hike that left the door open for future hikes, but the Dow scored a 13-day winning streak. The Fed lifted its benchmark overnight interest rate by a widely expected 25 basis points, marking the 11th hike in the U.S. central bank's past 12 policy meetings.

EUROPE

European shares snapped a six-day winning run on Wednesday, hurt by underwhelming results from French luxury goods giant LVMH as well as nerves ahead of the Federal Reserve's interest rate decision later in the day.

ASIA

Hong Kong shares rose on Thursday, led by tech stocks, after local authorities increased the base rate following a U.S. interest rate hike. China shares also rose, even as industrial profits extended this year's double-digit pace of declines into a sixth month.

Index	Close	% Daily	% M	YTD	Futures	% Change
DJIA	35520.12	0.23	4.70	7.16	35687.00	0.01
S&P	4566.75	-0.02	4.30	18.94	4606.75	0.24
Nasdaq	14127.28	-0.12	4.22	34.98	15702.25	0.58
DJ EuroStoxx50	4346.15	-1.03	0.95	14.56	4385.00	0.44
FTSE 100	7676.89	-0.19	2.89	3.02	7684.00	0.27
CAC 40	7315.07	-1.35	1.38	13.00	7413.20	N/A
DAX	16131.46	-0.49	1.80	15.86	16269.00	0.35
IBEX 35	9600.50	0.85	2.21	16.67	9531.00	N/A
FTSE MIB	28980.45	0.05	5.76	22.24	29131.00	N/A
Nikkei	32668.34	0.78	1.18	26.17	32900.00	0.92
Hang Seng	19365.14	1.46	2.61	-0.67	19686.00	1.57
DFM General	4039.48	0.61	6.53	21.08	N/A	N/A
MSCI Tadawoul	11906.13	0.20	3.90	13.62	N/A	N/A
Leb. Mkts	Closing Px	High	Low	% Daily	% Weekly	YTD
Solidere A	79.50	79.90	75.50	0.00	5.93	30.54
Solidere B	80.00	80.00	80.00	2.56	8.11	32.56

MUST READ

(Source: Bloomberg/ Forexlive)

Meta Stock Rallies As Facebook Notches Most Profitable Quarter Since 2021

Meta shares rallied Wednesday after delivering another quarterly earnings report that topped Wall Street's expectations, extending the sizzling stock's winning streak as the company leaves its metaverse slipup in the rearview mirror. Meta reported \$32 billion of sales and \$2.98 earnings per share, beating consensus analyst estimates of \$31.1 billion of revenue and \$2.91 earnings per share, according to FactSet. That marks Meta's most profitable quarter since 2021, when the company changed its name from Facebook to reflect its newfound commitment to augmented and virtual reality, or the metaverse. In its earning release, Meta projected sales during the current quarter to come in between \$32 billion and \$34.5 billion - smashing consensus estimates of \$31.1 billion Meta's \$31.5 billion in advertising revenue last quarter exceeded estimates of \$30.4 billion and marked a 12% year-over-year increase. Losses in its metaverse division moderated from \$4 billion to \$3.7 billion, still far above estimates of \$3.4 billion; the segment has lost about \$25 billion in its 1.5 years of existence while Meta's bread-and-butter social media business raked in more than \$80 billion of operating income. Shares of Meta soared more than 6% in after-hours trading, adding on its more than 200% rally since last fall.

MAIN WEEKLY EARNINGS

(Source: Nasdaq)

Company	Ticker	Market Cap	Date	Time	Estimate	Year Ago
Mastercard Inc	MA US	\$383.6 B	27-Jul-23	Pre-mkt	2.84	2.56
AbbVie Inc	ABBV US	\$252.6 B	27-Jul-23	Pre-mkt	2.79	3.51
McDonald's Corp	MCD US	\$215.6 B	27-Jul-23	Pre-mkt	2.77	2.55
Linde plc	LIN US	\$188.5 B	27-Jul-23	Pre-mkt	3.47	3.10
Intel Corporation	INTC US	\$140.2 B	27-Jul-23	After-mkt	-0.19	0.29

ECONOMIC CALENDAR

(Source: Forexlive)

(27-07-23) DE- Gfk Consumer Confidence Survey AUG
(27-07-23) EA- ECB Rate On Main Refinancing Operations
(27-07-23) EA- ECB Rate On Deposit Facility
(27-07-23) EA- ECB Monetary Policy Decision Statement; ECB Press Conference
(27-07-23) US- Gross Domestic Product Annualized Q2 preliminar
(27-07-23) US- Personal Consumption Expenditures QoQ Q2 preliminar
(27-07-23) US- Durable Goods Orders JUN

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